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INEQUALITIES OF SCHWARZ TYPE FOR n -TUPLES OF VECTORS IN INNER PRODUCT SPACES WITH APPLICATIONS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper some new inequalities of Schwarz and Buzano type for n -tuples of vectors in inner product spaces are given. Applications for norm and numerical radius inequalities for n -tuples of bounded linear operators and for functions of normal operators defined by power series with nonnegative coefficients are also provided.

1. INTRODUCTION

Let $(H, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be an inner product space over the real or complex numbers field \mathbb{K} . The following inequality is well known in literature as the *Schwarz inequality*

$$\|x\| \|y\| \geq |\langle x, y \rangle| \text{ for any } x, y \in H. \quad (1.1)$$

The equality case holds in (1.1) if and only if there exists a constant $\lambda \in \mathbb{K}$ such that $x = \lambda y$.

In 1985 the author [5] (see also [15]) established the following refinement of (1.1):

$$\|x\| \|y\| \geq |\langle x, y \rangle - \langle x, e \rangle \langle e, y \rangle| + |\langle x, e \rangle \langle e, y \rangle| \geq |\langle x, y \rangle| \quad (1.2)$$

for any $x, y, e \in H$ with $\|e\| = 1$.

Using the triangle inequality for modulus we have

$$|\langle x, y \rangle - \langle x, e \rangle \langle e, y \rangle| \geq |\langle x, e \rangle \langle e, y \rangle| - |\langle x, y \rangle|$$

and by (1.2) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|x\| \|y\| &\geq |\langle x, y \rangle - \langle x, e \rangle \langle e, y \rangle| + |\langle x, e \rangle \langle e, y \rangle| \\ &\geq 2 |\langle x, e \rangle \langle e, y \rangle| - |\langle x, y \rangle|, \end{aligned}$$

which implies the Buzano inequality [3]

$$\frac{1}{2} [\|x\| \|y\| + |\langle x, y \rangle|] \geq |\langle x, e \rangle \langle e, y \rangle| \quad (1.3)$$

that holds for any $x, y, e \in H$ with $\|e\| = 1$.

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For a probability distribution $\mathbf{p} = (p_1, \dots, p_n) \in \mathcal{P}_n$, i.e. we recall that $p_i > 0$ for any $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ and $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i = 1$ we define the inner product

$$\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle_p := \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle$$

for n -tuples $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n), \mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in H^n$. The attached norm is given by

$$\|\mathbf{x}\|_p = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

for $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in H^n$.

Let $\mathbf{e} = (e_1, \dots, e_n) \in H^n$ with $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|e_i\|^2 = 1$. Making use of (1.2) and (1.3) for the inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_p$ we have the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ & \geq \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle x_i, e_i \rangle \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle e_i, y_i \rangle \right| + \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle x_i, e_i \rangle \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle e_i, y_i \rangle \right| \\ & \geq \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle \right| \end{aligned} \quad (1.4)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} + \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle \right| \right] \\ & \geq \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle x_i, e_i \rangle \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle e_i, y_i \rangle \right|, \end{aligned} \quad (1.5)$$

for any $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n), \mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in H^n$.

If we take $\mathbf{e} = (e, \dots, e) \in H^n$ with $\|e\| = 1$, then we get from (1.4) and (1.5) the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ & \geq \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle - \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n p_i x_i, e \right\rangle \left\langle e, \sum_{i=1}^n p_i y_i \right\rangle \right| + \left| \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n p_i x_i, e \right\rangle \left\langle e, \sum_{i=1}^n p_i y_i \right\rangle \right| \\ & \geq \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle \right| \end{aligned} \quad (1.6)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} + \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle \right| \right] \\ & \geq \left| \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n p_i x_i, e \right\rangle \left\langle e, \sum_{i=1}^n p_i y_i \right\rangle \right|, \end{aligned} \quad (1.7)$$

for any $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n), \mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in H^n$.

For other Schwarz related inequalities in inner product spaces, see [1], [6]-[10], [13], [14], [18], [19], [20], [21], [22], [23], [24], [26] and the monographs [11] and [12].

Motivated by the above results, we establish in this paper some new inequalities of Schwarz and Buzano type for n -tuples of vectors in inner product spaces. Applications for norm and numerical radius inequalities for n -tuples of bounded linear operators and for functions of normal operators defined by power series with nonnegative coefficients are also provided.

2. MAIN RESULTS

Let $(H, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be an inner product space over the real or complex numbers field \mathbb{K} . For an n -tuple $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in H^n$ and a probability distribution $\mathbf{p} = (p_1, \dots, p_n) \in \mathcal{P}_n$, we define the *average vector*

$$\bar{x}_p := \sum_{j=1}^n p_j x_j \in H.$$

In particular, for the *uniform probability* $\mathbf{p} = (\frac{1}{n}, \dots, \frac{1}{n})$ we define

$$\bar{x} := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n x_j \in H.$$

We have the following result:

Theorem 2.1. *Let $(H, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be an inner product space over the real or complex numbers field \mathbb{K} , $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n), \mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in H^n$ and $\mathbf{p} = (p_1, \dots, p_n) \in \mathcal{P}_n$. Then we have the inequalities*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ & \geq \max \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2 \langle \bar{x}_p, y_i \rangle|, \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2 \langle x_i, \bar{y}_p \rangle| \right\} \\ & \geq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left[\left| \frac{1}{2} \langle x_i, y_i \rangle - \langle \bar{x}_p, y_i \rangle \right| + \left| \frac{1}{2} \langle x_i, y_i \rangle - \langle x_i, \bar{y}_p \rangle \right| \right] \\ & \geq \begin{cases} \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - \langle \bar{x}_p, y_i \rangle - \langle x_i, \bar{y}_p \rangle|, \\ \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |\langle x_i, \bar{y}_p \rangle - \langle \bar{x}_p, y_i \rangle|. \end{cases} \end{aligned} \tag{2.1}$$

In particular, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\
 & \geq \max \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2 \langle \bar{x}, y_i \rangle|, \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2 \langle x_i, \bar{y} \rangle| \right\} \\
 & \geq \sum_{i=1}^n \left[\left| \frac{1}{2} \langle x_i, y_i \rangle - \langle \bar{x}, y_i \rangle \right| + \left| \frac{1}{2} \langle x_i, y_i \rangle - \langle x_i, \bar{y} \rangle \right| \right] \\
 & \geq \begin{cases} \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - \langle \bar{x}, y_i \rangle - \langle x_i, \bar{y} \rangle|, \\ \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle x_i, \bar{y} \rangle - \langle \bar{x}, y_i \rangle|. \end{cases}
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.2}$$

Proof. Observe that, by the properties of inner product, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i - 2\bar{x}_p\|^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n p_i [\|x_i\|^2 - 4 \operatorname{Re} \langle x_i, \bar{x}_p \rangle + 4 \|\bar{x}_p\|^2] \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i\|^2 - 4 \operatorname{Re} \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n p_i x_i, \bar{x}_p \right\rangle + 4 \|\bar{x}_p\|^2 \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i\|^2 - 4 \|\bar{x}_p\|^2 + 4 \|\bar{x}_p\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i\|^2. \tag{2.3}
 \end{aligned}$$

By the Cauchy-Buniyakovsky-Schwarz inequality for sequences of real numbers, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i\|^2 \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i - 2\bar{x}_p\|^2 \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\
 &\geq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i - 2\bar{x}_p\| \|y_i\|.
 \end{aligned}$$

By the Schwarz inequality in $(H, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ we have for each $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$

$$\|x_i - 2\bar{x}_p\| \|y_i\| \geq |\langle x_i - 2\bar{x}_p, y_i \rangle| = |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2 \langle \bar{x}_p, y_i \rangle|$$

and then

$$\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i - 2\bar{x}_p\| \|y_i\| \geq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2 \langle \bar{x}_p, y_i \rangle|.$$

Therefore

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i\|^2 \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \geq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2 \langle \bar{x}_p, y_i \rangle| \tag{2.4}$$

and, similarly

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i\|^2 \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \geq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2 \langle x_i, \bar{y}_p \rangle|. \tag{2.5}$$

Making use of (2.4) and (2.5) we get the first inequality in (2.1).

Since $\max\{a, b\} \geq \frac{1}{2}(a + b)$ for positive numbers a and b , we get the second inequality in (2.1). The last part of (2.1) follows by the triangle inequality. \square

Remark. Using the generalized triangle inequality we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^n p_i |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - \langle \bar{x}_p, y_i \rangle - \langle x_i, \bar{y}_p \rangle| \geq \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2 \langle \bar{x}_p, \bar{y}_p \rangle \right|$$

and by (2.1) we get the following string of inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ & \geq \max \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2 \langle \bar{x}_p, y_i \rangle|, \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2 \langle x_i, \bar{y}_p \rangle| \right\} \\ & \geq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left[\left| \frac{1}{2} \langle x_i, y_i \rangle - \langle \bar{x}_p, y_i \rangle \right| + \left| \frac{1}{2} \langle x_i, y_i \rangle - \langle x_i, \bar{y}_p \rangle \right| \right] \\ & \geq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - \langle \bar{x}_p, y_i \rangle - \langle x_i, \bar{y}_p \rangle| \\ & \geq \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2 \langle \bar{x}_p, \bar{y}_p \rangle \right|. \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

The unweighted case is as follows

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ & \geq \max \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2 \langle \bar{x}, y_i \rangle|, \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2 \langle x_i, \bar{y} \rangle| \right\} \\ & \geq \sum_{i=1}^n \left[\left| \frac{1}{2} \langle x_i, y_i \rangle - \langle \bar{x}, y_i \rangle \right| + \left| \frac{1}{2} \langle x_i, y_i \rangle - \langle x_i, \bar{y} \rangle \right| \right] \\ & \geq \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - \langle \bar{x}, y_i \rangle - \langle x_i, \bar{y} \rangle| \geq \left| \sum_{i=1}^n \langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2 \langle \bar{x}, \bar{y} \rangle \right|. \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

The inequality between the first and 4th and 5th terms in (2.7) was obtained in [25].

Corollary 2.2. With the assumptions of Theorem 2.1 we have

$$\frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} + \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle \right| \right] \geq |\langle \bar{x}_p, \bar{y}_p \rangle| \quad (2.8)$$

and, in particular

$$\frac{1}{2n} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} + \left| \sum_{i=1}^n \langle x_i, y_i \rangle \right| \right] \geq |\langle \bar{x}, \bar{y} \rangle|. \quad (2.9)$$

Proof. By the triangle inequality we have

$$\left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2 \langle \bar{x}_p, \bar{y}_p \rangle \right| \geq 2 |\langle \bar{x}_p, \bar{y}_p \rangle| - \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle \right|$$

and from (2.6) we get

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \geq 2 |\langle \bar{x}_p, \bar{y}_p \rangle| - \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle \right|,$$

i.e.

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} + \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle \right| \geq 2 |\langle \bar{x}_p, \bar{y}_p \rangle|,$$

and the inequality (2.8) is proved. \square

The following result also holds:

Theorem 2.3. *Let $(H, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be an inner product space over the real or complex numbers field \mathbb{K} , $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$, $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in H^n$ and $\mathbf{p} = (p_1, \dots, p_n) \in \mathcal{P}_n$. Then we have the inequalities*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i\|^2 \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ & \geq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2 \langle \bar{x}_p, y_i \rangle - 2 \langle x_i, \bar{y}_p \rangle + 4 \langle \bar{x}_p, \bar{y}_p \rangle| \\ & \geq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle| \geq \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle \right| \end{aligned} \quad (2.10)$$

and, in particular

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^2 \sum_{i=1}^n \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ & \geq \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2 \langle \bar{x}, y_i \rangle - 2 \langle x_i, \bar{y} \rangle + 4 \langle \bar{x}, \bar{y} \rangle| \\ & \geq \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle| \geq \left| \sum_{i=1}^n \langle x_i, y_i \rangle \right|. \end{aligned} \quad (2.11)$$

Proof. By the Cauchy-Buniyakovsky-Schwarz inequality for sequences of real numbers, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i\|^2 \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ & = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i - 2\bar{x}_p\|^2 \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|y_i - 2\bar{y}_p\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ & \geq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i - 2\bar{x}_p\| \|y_i - 2\bar{y}_p\|. \end{aligned} \quad (2.12)$$

By the Schwarz inequality in $(H, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_i - 2\bar{x}_p\| \|y_i - 2\bar{y}_p\| &\geq |\langle x_i - 2\bar{x}_p, y_i - 2\bar{y}_p \rangle| \\ &= |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2\langle \bar{x}_p, y_i \rangle - 2\langle x_i, \bar{y}_p \rangle + 4\langle \bar{x}_p, \bar{y}_p \rangle| \end{aligned}$$

for any $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$.

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i - 2\bar{x}_p\| \|y_i - 2\bar{y}_p\| \\ &\geq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2\langle \bar{x}_p, y_i \rangle - 2\langle x_i, \bar{y}_p \rangle + 4\langle \bar{x}_p, \bar{y}_p \rangle| \\ &\geq \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i [\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2\langle \bar{x}_p, y_i \rangle - 2\langle x_i, \bar{y}_p \rangle + 4\langle \bar{x}_p, \bar{y}_p \rangle] \right| \\ &= \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2 \left\langle \bar{x}_p, \sum_{i=1}^n p_i y_i \right\rangle - 2 \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n p_i x_i, \bar{y}_p \right\rangle + 4 \langle \bar{x}_p, \bar{y}_p \rangle \right| \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle|. \end{aligned} \tag{2.13}$$

Making use of (2.12) and (2.13) we get the desired result (2.10). \square

The following corollary holds:

Corollary 2.4. *With the assumptions of Theorem 2.3 we have*

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{4} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i\|^2 \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} + \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle| \right] \\ &\geq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left| \langle \bar{x}_p, \bar{y}_p \rangle - \frac{1}{2} [\langle \bar{x}_p, y_i \rangle + \langle x_i, \bar{y}_p \rangle] \right|. \end{aligned} \tag{2.14}$$

Proof. If we add to the first inequality in (2.10) the quantity $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle|$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|x_i\|^2 \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} + \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle| \\ &\geq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i [|\langle x_i, y_i \rangle - 2\langle \bar{x}_p, y_i \rangle - 2\langle x_i, \bar{y}_p \rangle + 4\langle \bar{x}_p, \bar{y}_p \rangle| + |\langle x_i, y_i \rangle|] \\ &\geq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |4\langle \bar{x}_p, \bar{y}_p \rangle - 2\langle \bar{x}_p, y_i \rangle - 2\langle x_i, \bar{y}_p \rangle| \\ &= 4 \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left| \langle \bar{x}_p, \bar{y}_p \rangle - \frac{1}{2} [\langle \bar{x}_p, y_i \rangle + \langle x_i, \bar{y}_p \rangle] \right|. \end{aligned} \tag{2.15}$$

Dividing by 4 we get the desired result (2.14). \square

We observe that, if we take $H = \mathbb{C}$ with the inner product $\langle z, w \rangle = z\bar{w}$ then by taking above $x_i = a_i \in \mathbb{C}$ and $y_i = \bar{b}_i, i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, then from (2.1) we get the inequality

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i |a_i|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i |b_i|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\
& \geq \max \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |a_i b_i - 2b_i \bar{a}_p|, \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |a_i b_i - 2a_i \bar{b}_p| \right\} \\
& \geq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \left[\left| \frac{1}{2} a_i b_i - b_i \bar{a}_p \right| + \left| \frac{1}{2} a_i b_i - a_i \bar{b}_p \right| \right] \\
& \geq \begin{cases} \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |a_i b_i - b_i \bar{a}_p - a_i \bar{b}_p|, \\ \sum_{i=1}^n p_i |a_i \bar{b}_p - b_i \bar{a}_p|, \end{cases}
\end{aligned} \tag{2.16}$$

where $\mathbf{p} = (p_1, \dots, p_n) \in \mathcal{P}_n$ and

$$\bar{a}_p = \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i.$$

Utilising the inequality (2.8) we also have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i |a_i|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n p_i |b_i|^2 \right)^{1/2} + \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i b_i \right| \right] \\
& \geq \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i a_i \right| \left| \sum_{i=1}^n p_i b_i \right|
\end{aligned} \tag{2.17}$$

for any $\mathbf{p} = (p_1, \dots, p_n) \in \mathcal{P}_n$ and $a_i, b_i \in \mathbb{C}, i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$.

If in (2.17) we take $p_i = \frac{q_i}{\sum_{k=1}^n q_k}$ with $q_i \geq 0, i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ and $\sum_{k=1}^n q_k > 0$, then we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i |a_i|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i |b_i|^2 \right)^{1/2} + \left| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i a_i b_i \right| \right] \sum_{k=1}^n q_k \\
& \geq \left| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i a_i \right| \left| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i b_i \right|.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.18}$$

Moreover, by taking $b_i = a_i, i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ in (2.18) we get

$$\frac{1}{2} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n q_i |a_i|^2 + \left| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i a_i^2 \right| \right] \sum_{k=1}^n q_k \geq \left| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i a_i \right|^2. \tag{2.19}$$

If $r_i \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ and $z_i \in \mathbb{C}, i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$, then by taking $q_i = r_i^2$ and $a_i = \frac{z_i}{r_i}, i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ we get the well known *de Bruijn inequality* [2]

$$\frac{1}{2} \left[\sum_{i=1}^n |z_i|^2 + \left| \sum_{i=1}^n z_i^2 \right| \right] \sum_{i=1}^n r_i^2 \geq \left| \sum_{i=1}^n r_i a_i \right|^2. \tag{2.20}$$

The other vector inequalities from above have similar versions for complex numbers. However the details are not presented here.

3. APPLICATIONS FOR n -TUPLES OF OPERATORS

If in (2.8) we take $p_i = \frac{q_i}{\sum_{k=1}^n q_k}$ with $q_i \geq 0, i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ and $\sum_{k=1}^n q_k > 0$, then we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i \|x_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i \|y_i\|^2 \right)^{1/2} + \left| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i \langle x_i, y_i \rangle \right| \right] \sum_{k=1}^n q_k \\ & \geq \left| \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i x_i, \sum_{i=1}^n q_i y_i \right\rangle \right| \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

for any $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n), \mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in H^n$.

Let $(H; \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be a complex Hilbert space. The *numerical range* of an operator T is the subset of the complex numbers \mathbb{C} given by [17, p. 1]:

$$W(T) = \{ \langle Tx, x \rangle, x \in H, \|x\| = 1 \}.$$

The *numerical radius* $w(T)$ of an operator T on H is given by [17, p. 8]:

$$w(T) = \sup \{ |\lambda|, \lambda \in W(T) \} = \sup \{ |\langle Tx, x \rangle|, \|x\| = 1 \}. \quad (3.2)$$

It is well known that $w(\cdot)$ is a norm on the Banach algebra $B(H)$ of all bounded linear operators on the Hilbert space H . This norm is equivalent with the operator norm. In fact, the following more precise result holds [17, p. 9]:

Theorem 3.1 (Equivalent norm). *For any $T \in B(H)$ one has*

$$w(T) \leq \|T\| \leq 2w(T). \quad (3.3)$$

The following result holds:

Theorem 3.2. *Let $(A_1, \dots, A_n), (B_1, \dots, B_n)$ be two n -tuple of bounded linear operators on the Hilbert space $(H; \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ and $q_i \geq 0, i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ with $\sum_{k=1}^n q_k > 0$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i B_i^* \sum_{i=1}^n q_i A_i \right\| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\left\| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |A_i|^2 \right\|^{1/2} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |B_i|^2 \right\|^{1/2} + \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i B_i^* A_i \right\| \right] \sum_{k=1}^n q_k \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & w \left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i B_i^* \sum_{i=1}^n q_i A_i \right) \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\left\| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |A_i|^2 \right\|^{1/2} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |B_i|^2 \right\|^{1/2} + w \left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i B_i^* A_i \right) \right] \sum_{k=1}^n q_k. \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

Proof. We take in inequality (3.1) $x_i = A_i x$, $y_i = B_i y$, $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ to get

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i \|A_i x\|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i \|B_i y\|^2 \right)^{1/2} + \left| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i \langle A_i x, B_i y \rangle \right| \right] \sum_{k=1}^n q_k \\ & \geq \left| \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i A_i x, \sum_{i=1}^n q_i B_i y \right\rangle \right|, \end{aligned}$$

for any $x, y \in H$.

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n q_i \|A_i x\|^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n q_i \langle A_i x, A_i x \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^n q_i \langle A_i^* A_i x, x \rangle \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n q_i \langle |A_i|^2 x, x \rangle = \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |A_i|^2 x, x \right\rangle, \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n q_i \|B_i y\|^2 = \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |B_i|^2 y, y \right\rangle,$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n q_i \langle A_i x, B_i y \rangle = \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i B_i^* A_i x, y \right\rangle$$

and

$$\left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i A_i x, \sum_{i=1}^n q_i B_i y \right\rangle = \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i B_i^* \sum_{i=1}^n q_i A_i x, y \right\rangle,$$

then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i B_i^* \sum_{i=1}^n q_i A_i x, y \right\rangle \right| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |A_i|^2 x, x \right\rangle^{1/2} \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |B_i|^2 y, y \right\rangle^{1/2} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left| \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i B_i^* A_i x, y \right\rangle \right| \right] \sum_{k=1}^n q_k \end{aligned} \tag{3.6}$$

for any $x, y \in H$.

This inequality is of interest in itself.

We know that for any bounded operator T we have

$$\|T\| = \sup_{\|x\|=\|y\|=1} |\langle Tx, y \rangle|.$$

Taking the supremum in (3.6) over $\|x\| = \|y\| = 1$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i B_i^* \sum_{i=1}^n q_i A_i \right\| \tag{3.7} \\
&= \sup_{\|x\|=\|y\|=1} \left| \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i B_i^* \sum_{i=1}^n q_i A_i x, y \right\rangle \right| \sum_{k=1}^n q_k \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2} \sup_{\|x\|=\|y\|=1} \left[\left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |A_i|^2 x, x \right\rangle^{1/2} \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |B_i|^2 y, y \right\rangle^{1/2} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \left| \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i B_i^* A_i x, y \right\rangle \right| \right] \sum_{k=1}^n q_k \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\sup_{\|x\|=1} \left[\left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |A_i|^2 x, x \right\rangle^{1/2} \sup_{\|y\|=1} \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |B_i|^2 x, x \right\rangle^{1/2} \right] \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sup_{\|x\|=\|y\|=1} \left| \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i B_i^* A_i x, y \right\rangle \right| \right] \sum_{k=1}^n q_k \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \left[\left\| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |A_i|^2 \right\|^{1/2} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |B_i|^2 \right\|^{1/2} + \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i B_i^* A_i \right\| \right] \sum_{k=1}^n q_k,
\end{aligned}$$

because $\sum_{i=1}^n q_i |A_i|^2$ and $\sum_{i=1}^n q_i |B_i|^2$ are positive selfadjoint operators.

This proves (3.4).

If we put in (3.6) $y = x$ and then take the supremum over $\|x\| = 1$, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& w \left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i B_i^* \sum_{i=1}^n q_i A_i \right) \tag{3.8} \\
&= \sup_{\|x\|=1} \left| \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i B_i^* \sum_{i=1}^n q_i A_i x, x \right\rangle \right| \\
&\leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\sup_{\|x\|=1} \left[\left(\left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |A_i|^2 x, x \right\rangle \right)^{1/2} \left(\left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |B_i|^2 x, x \right\rangle \right)^{1/2} \right] \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sup_{\|x\|=1} \left| \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i B_i^* A_i x, x \right\rangle \right| \right] \sum_{k=1}^n q_k.
\end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sup_{\|x\|=1} \left[\left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |A_i|^2 x, x \right\rangle^{1/2} \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |B_i|^2 x, x \right\rangle^{1/2} \right] \\
& \leq \sup_{\|x\|=1} \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |A_i|^2 x, x \right\rangle^{1/2} \sup_{\|x\|=1} \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |B_i|^2 x, x \right\rangle^{1/2} \\
& = \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |A_i|^2 \right\|^{1/2} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |B_i|^2 \right\|^{1/2},
\end{aligned} \tag{3.9}$$

we get from (3.8) and (3.9) the desired result (3.5). \square

Corollary 3.3. *Let (A_1, \dots, A_n) be an n -tuple of bounded linear operators on the Hilbert space $(H; \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ and $q_i \geq 0, i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ with $\sum_{k=1}^n q_k > 0$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left\| \left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i A_i \right)^2 \right\| \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\left\| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |A_i|^2 \right\|^{1/2} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |A_i^*|^2 \right\|^{1/2} + \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i A_i^2 \right\| \sum_{k=1}^n q_k \right]
\end{aligned} \tag{3.10}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
& w \left(\left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i A_i \right)^2 \right) \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\left\| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |A_i|^2 \right\|^{1/2} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n q_i |A_i^*|^2 \right\|^{1/2} + w \left(\sum_{i=1}^n q_i A_i^2 \right) \right] \sum_{k=1}^n q_k.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.11}$$

Remark. *If we take $n = 2$ and $q_1 = q_2 = 1$ in (3.4), then we get*

$$\begin{aligned}
& \|(B_1^* + B_2^*)(A_1 + A_2)\| \\
& \leq \left\| |A_1|^2 + |A_2|^2 \right\|^{1/2} \left\| |B_1|^2 + |B_2|^2 \right\|^{1/2} + \|B_1^* A_1 + B_2^* A_2\|
\end{aligned} \tag{3.12}$$

for any operators A_1, A_2, B_1, B_2 .

Assume that T, V are bounded linear operators and consider the Cartesian decomposition

$$T = A + iB, \quad V = C + iD$$

with the selfadjoint operators A, B, C, D given by

$$A = \frac{1}{2}(T^* + T), \quad B = \frac{1}{2i}(T - T^*)$$

and

$$C = \frac{1}{2}(V^* + V), \quad D = \frac{1}{2i}(V - V^*).$$

Take $A_1 = A, A_2 = iB, B_1 = C$ and $B_2 = -iD$. Then

$$(B_1^* + B_2^*)(A_1 + A_2) = VT,$$

$$|A_1|^2 + |A_2|^2 = A^2 + B^2 = \frac{1}{2}(|T|^2 + |T^*|^2),$$

$$|B_1|^2 + |B_2|^2 = C^2 + D^2 = \frac{1}{2} (|V|^2 + |V^*|^2)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} B_1^* A_1 + B_2^* A_2 &= CA + (-iD)^* (iB) = CA - DB \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (V^* + V) \frac{1}{2} (T^* + T) - \frac{1}{2i} (V - V^*) \frac{1}{2i} (T - T^*) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} [(V^* + V) (T^* + T) + (V - V^*) (T - T^*)] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (VT + V^* T^*). \end{aligned}$$

Then by (3.12) we get

$$\|VT\| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\left\| |V|^2 + |V^*|^2 \right\|^{1/2} \left\| |T|^2 + |T^*|^2 \right\|^{1/2} + \|VT + V^* T^*\| \right]. \quad (3.13)$$

If we replace in this inequality V with V^* and T with T^* , then we get the dual inequality

$$\|V^* T^*\| \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\left\| |V|^2 + |V^*|^2 \right\|^{1/2} \left\| |T|^2 + |T^*|^2 \right\|^{1/2} + \|VT + V^* T^*\| \right]. \quad (3.14)$$

Adding these inequalities give us

$$\|VT\| + \|V^* T^*\| \leq \left\| |V|^2 + |V^*|^2 \right\|^{1/2} \left\| |T|^2 + |T^*|^2 \right\|^{1/2} + \|VT + V^* T^*\|, \quad (3.15)$$

which implies that

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \|VT\| + \|V^* T^*\| - \|VT + V^* T^*\| \\ &\leq \left\| |V|^2 + |V^*|^2 \right\|^{1/2} \left\| |T|^2 + |T^*|^2 \right\|^{1/2}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.16)$$

for any bounded linear operators V, T .

Using the inequality (3.5) for $n = 2$ we can derive in a similar way the numerical radius inequality

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq w(VT) + w(V^* T^*) - w(VT + V^* T^*) \\ &\leq \left\| |V|^2 + |V^*|^2 \right\|^{1/2} \left\| |T|^2 + |T^*|^2 \right\|^{1/2}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.17)$$

for any bounded linear operators V, T .

If we take in (3.16) and (3.17) $V = T$, then we get

$$0 \leq \|V^2\| + \|(V^*)^2\| - \|V^2 + (V^*)^2\| \leq \left\| |V|^2 + |V^*|^2 \right\|, \quad (3.18)$$

and

$$0 \leq w(V^2) + w((V^*)^2) - w(V^2 + (V^*)^2) \leq \left\| |V|^2 + |V^*|^2 \right\| \quad (3.19)$$

for any bounded linear operators V .

4. APPLICATIONS FOR FUNCTIONS OF NORMAL OPERATORS

Recall some examples of power series with nonnegative coefficients

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{1-\lambda} &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \lambda^n, \quad \lambda \in D(0, 1); \\
 \ln \frac{1}{1-\lambda} &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \lambda^n, \quad \lambda \in D(0, 1); \\
 \exp(\lambda) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \lambda^n, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{C}; \\
 \sinh \lambda &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n+1)!} \lambda^{2n+1}, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{C}; \\
 \cosh \lambda &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n)!} \lambda^{2n}, \quad \lambda \in \mathbb{C}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.1}$$

Other important examples of functions as power series representations with non-negative coefficients are:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1+\lambda}{1-\lambda} \right) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n-1} \lambda^{2n-1}, \quad \lambda \in D(0, 1); \\
 \sin^{-1}(\lambda) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n + \frac{1}{2})}{\sqrt{\pi} (2n+1) n!} \lambda^{2n+1}, \quad \lambda \in D(0, 1); \\
 \tanh^{-1}(\lambda) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2n-1} \lambda^{2n-1}, \quad \lambda \in D(0, 1); \\
 {}_2F_1(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \lambda) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\Gamma(n+\alpha) \Gamma(n+\beta) \Gamma(\gamma)}{n! \Gamma(\alpha) \Gamma(\beta) \Gamma(n+\gamma)} \lambda^n, \quad \alpha, \beta, \gamma > 0, \\
 &\quad \lambda \in D(0, 1)
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.2}$$

where Γ is *Gamma function*.

The following result for power series with nonnegative coefficients holds:

Theorem 4.1. *Let $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ be a power series with nonnegative coefficients $a_n \geq 0$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and having the radius of convergence $R > 0$ or $R = \infty$. If U, V are normal operators on the Hilbert space $(H; \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$, $U^*V = VU^*$ and $\alpha > 0$ such that $\alpha < R$ and $\|U\|, \|V\| \leq 1$, then*

$$\begin{aligned}
 &|\langle f(\alpha U^*) f(\alpha V) x, y \rangle| \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{2} f(\alpha) \left[\left\langle f(\alpha |V|^2) x, x \right\rangle^{1/2} \left\langle f(\alpha |U|^2) y, y \right\rangle^{1/2} + |\langle f(\alpha U^*V) x, y \rangle| \right]
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.3}$$

for any $x, y \in H$.

Proof. Using the inequality (3.6) we can state that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left\langle \sum_{i=0}^n a_i \alpha^i (U^*)^i \sum_{i=0}^n a_i \alpha^i V^i x, y \right\rangle \right| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\left\langle \sum_{i=0}^n a_i \alpha^i |V^i|^2 x, x \right\rangle \right]^{1/2} \left\langle \sum_{i=0}^n a_i \alpha^i |(U^*)^i|^2 y, y \right\rangle^{1/2} \\ & + \left| \left\langle \sum_{i=0}^n a_i \alpha^i (U^*)^i V^i x, y \right\rangle \right| \sum_{i=0}^n a_i \alpha^i \end{aligned} \quad (4.4)$$

for any $x, y \in H$ and $n \geq 1$.

Since U, V are normal operators, then for $i \geq 1$

$$|V^i|^2 = (V^i)^* V^i = (V^*)^i V^i = (V^* V)^i = |V|^{2i}$$

and

$$|(U^*)^i|^2 = |U|^{2i}.$$

Also, since $U^* V = V U^*$, then

$$(U^*)^i V^i = (U^* V)^i$$

for any $i \geq 1$.

Therefore from (4.4) we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left\langle \sum_{i=0}^n a_i \alpha^i (U^*)^i \sum_{i=0}^n a_i \alpha^i V^i x, y \right\rangle \right| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\left\langle \sum_{i=0}^n a_i \alpha^i |V|^{2i} x, x \right\rangle \right]^{1/2} \left\langle \sum_{i=0}^n a_i \alpha^i |U|^{2i} y, y \right\rangle^{1/2} \\ & + \left| \left\langle \sum_{i=0}^n a_i \alpha^i (U^* V)^i x, y \right\rangle \right| \sum_{i=0}^n a_i \alpha^i, \end{aligned} \quad (4.5)$$

for any $x, y \in H$ and $n \geq 1$.

Since $\|\alpha |V|^2\| = \alpha \|V\|^2 < R$, $\|\alpha |U|^2\| = \alpha \|U\|^2 < R$, $\|\alpha U^* V\| \leq \alpha \|U\| \|V\| < R$, $\|\alpha U^*\| < R$ and $\|\alpha V\| < R$, then the series

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i \alpha^i (U^*)^i, \quad \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i \alpha^i V^i, \quad \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i \alpha^i |V|^{2i}, \quad \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i \alpha^i |U|^{2i}, \quad \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i \alpha^i (U^* V)^i$$

are convergent in $B(H)$ and $\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i \alpha^i$ is convergent in \mathbb{R} .

Taking the limit over $n \rightarrow \infty$ in (4.5) we get the desired result (4.3). \square

Corollary 4.2. Let $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ be a power series with nonnegative coefficients $a_n \geq 0$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and having the radius of convergence $R > 0$ or $R = \infty$. If V is normal operator on the Hilbert space $(H; \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ and $\alpha > 0$ such that $\alpha < R$ and $\|V\| \leq 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & |\langle f^2(\alpha V) x, y \rangle| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} f(\alpha) \left[\left\langle f(\alpha |V|^2) x, x \right\rangle^{1/2} \left\langle f(\alpha |V|^2) y, y \right\rangle^{1/2} + |\langle f(\alpha V^2) x, y \rangle| \right] \end{aligned} \quad (4.6)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left\langle |f(\alpha V)|^2 x, y \right\rangle \right| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} f(\alpha) \left[\left\langle f(\alpha |V|^2) x, x \right\rangle^{1/2} \left\langle f(\alpha |V|^2) y, y \right\rangle^{1/2} + \left| \left\langle f(\alpha |V|^2) x, y \right\rangle \right| \right] \end{aligned} \quad (4.7)$$

for any $x, y \in H$.

Proof. It follows by Theorem 4.1 by choosing $U = V^*$ and $U = V$. \square

Example: a. If U, V are normal operators on the Hilbert space $(H; \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$, $U^*V = VU^*$ and $\alpha > 0$ then

$$\begin{aligned} & |\langle \exp(\alpha(U^* + V)) x, y \rangle| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\left\langle \exp(\alpha |V|^2) x, x \right\rangle^{1/2} \left\langle \exp(\alpha |U|^2) y, y \right\rangle^{1/2} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + |\langle \exp(\alpha U^* V) x, y \rangle| \right] \exp(\alpha) \end{aligned} \quad (4.8)$$

for any $x, y \in H$.

b. If U, V are normal operators on the Hilbert space $(H; \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$, $U^*V = VU^*$ and $\|U\|, \|V\| < 1$, $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ then

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left\langle (1_H - \alpha U^*)^{-1} (1_H - \alpha V)^{-1} x, y \right\rangle \right| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[\left\langle (1 - \alpha |V|^2)^{-1} x, x \right\rangle^{1/2} \left\langle (1 - \alpha |U|^2)^{-1} y, y \right\rangle^{1/2} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \left| \left\langle (1 - \alpha U^* V)^{-1} x, y \right\rangle \right| \right] (1 - \alpha)^{-1} \end{aligned} \quad (4.9)$$

for any $x, y \in H$.

By taking the supremum in (4.3) over $\|x\| = \|y\| = 1$ we can state the following norm inequality:

Corollary 4.3. Let $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ be a power series with nonnegative coefficients $a_n \geq 0$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and having the radius of convergence $R > 0$ or $R = \infty$. If U, V are normal operators on the Hilbert space $(H; \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$, $U^*V = VU^*$ and $\alpha > 0$ such that $\alpha < R$ and $\|U\|, \|V\| \leq 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & \|f(\alpha U^*) f(\alpha V)\| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} f(\alpha) \left[\|f(\alpha |V|^2)\|^{1/2} \|f(\alpha |U|^2)\|^{1/2} + \|f(\alpha U^* V)\| \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (4.10)$$

The reader may state various particular inequalities of interest. However the details are omitted here.

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